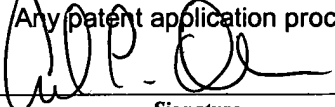
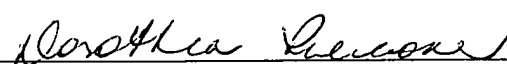


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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Small Entity)				Docket No. STEU-2666	
Applicant(s): Taggart					
Serial No. 09/330,763	Filing Date 06/11/99	Examiner Soubra, I.	Group Art Unit 1744		
Invention: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR PROVIDING STERILIZATION ZONES IN AN ASEPTIC PACKAGING STERILIZATION TUNNEL					
<u>TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</u>					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Small Entity status of this application has been established under 37 CFR 1.27 by a verified statement previously submitted. <input type="checkbox"/> A verified statement to establish Small Entity status under 37 FR 1.27 is enclosed.					
The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.					
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TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> No additional fee is required for amendment. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of _____ A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. <input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of _____ to cover the filing fee is enclosed. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0513 A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.					
 Signature			Dated: April 11, 2001		
Arlen L. Olsen Reg. No. 37,543 Schmeiser, Olsen & Watts 3 Lear Jet Lane, Suite 201 Latham, N.Y. 12110 (518) 220-1850			I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on April 11, 2001 with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.  Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence Dorothea Rubbone Typed or Printed Name of Person Mailing Correspondence		
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